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<b>UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL</b>  <small>(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))</small>		Attorney Docket No		1032-P02148US1	
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		Title	MEDICAL DEVICE WITH SHIELD HAVING A RETRACTABLE NEEDLE		
		Express Mail Label No	EL676439500US		Date Mailed April 18, 2001
<b>APPLICATION ELEMENTS</b> See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents			ADDRESS TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box Patent Application Washington, DC 20231		
1. [ ]	Fee Transmittal Form (Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)		7. [ ]	CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)	
2. [ ]	Applicant claims small entity status See 37 CFR 1.27		8. [ ]	Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)	
3. [X]	Specification (Total Pages [ 37 ]) (preferred arrangement set forth below) - Descriptive title of the invention - Cross References to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D - Reference to sequence listing, a table or a computer program listing appendix - Background of the invention - Brief Summary of the invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description - Claim(s) - Abstract of the Disclosure		a. [ ]	Computer Readable Form (CRF)	
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6. [ ]	Application Data Sheet See 37 CFR 1.76				

**CONTINUING APPLICATION INFORMATION**

This application is a **Continuation-in-part** of the following United States application which is incorporated herein by reference  
 09/628,180, filed on July 28, 2000

**PRIORITY APPLICATIONS**

This application claims priority to the following application(s), each of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

**U.S. Provisional Applications** 60/198,032 filed April 18, 2000 and 60/223,651 filed August 7, 2000

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